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Give China a Chance—

TO LIVE!

China Gave Civilization

Much of Literature The Printing Press Much of Art and This Proverb:

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(Within the Four Seas all Men are Brothers)

15,000,000

Chinese are Starving

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President Wilson's Proclamation

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THE FAMINE IN CHINA

(Please Help)

AFAMINE, alarming in its proportions, today holds in its grip several important provinces in China. The crop failure is complete, and the present distress, which is great, is likely, before winter has run its course, to become appalling. In fact our diplomatic and consular agencies in China inform me that the loss resulting from death in distressing form may run into millions of souls. It is cer-

tain that the local government and established agencies of relief are unable to cope with the magnitude of the disaster which faces them. . . . Therefore not only in the name of humanity but in that of the friendliness which we feel for a great people in distress, I venture to ask that our citizens shall, even though the task of giving is not today a light one, respond as they can to this distant but appealing cry of help.

3 cents will save one life one day

\$1 will save one life one month, and \$5 will save a life until harvest

\$5 will save one family one month, and \$25 will save a family until Spring

FIVE northern provinces, Chili, Shensi, Shansi, Honan and Shantung, are all affected. The actual famine zone covers 100,000 square miles.

Nearly one and one-half years of continuous drought, during which the normal rainfall has decreased from 25 inches a year to less than 3 inches, has killed the last three crops.

45,000,000 Chinese are directly affected; 15,000,000 are facing immediate starvation and will die without America's help.

The famine unless halted by American relief, means the break-up of civilization in North China and the complete collapse of a vast region commercially, economically and morally, which is certain to persist for a generation to come.

America has an opportunity to help a friendly nation in distress, to strengthen existing ties, to expand its trade and to have the consciousness that it has saved the lives of millions of human beings who would have died without America's help.

If the American Committee for China Famine Fund has no representative in your community, give your contribution to your bank, your church or send it to Vernon Munroe, Treasurer, China Famine Fund, Bible House, New York City.

All funds collected will be transmitted to Peking where they will be administered by a committee representing the American committee and composed of prominent missionaries and business men and representatives of the Red Cross and United States diplomatic service.

China is in the grip of the worst calamity in history. She turns to America as her oldest and richest friend, whom she has learned to trust. America cannot ignore her call and let these helpless millions die without an effort to save them.



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